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SUBJECT: DEFECTION OF MIG-25 PILOT

REF: STATE 231673

1. FOR WHAT IT MAY BE WORTH, A COUNSELOR AT THE SOVIET EMBASSY HERE MADE LIGHT OF THE MIG-25 DEFECTION IN A CONVERSATION ON SEPTEMBER 17 WITH THE US POLITICAL COUNSELOR.

2. THE RUSSIAN DIPLOMAT, IN AN ASIDE, REMARKED THAT THERE WAS A GENERAL TENDENCY TO FOCUS EXAGGERATED ATTENTION ON MODERN WEAPONS. HE JOKED ABOUT WESTERN "EXCITEMENT" REGARDING SUCH SOVIET WEAPONS AS THE MIG-25 AND THE AIRCRAFT CARRIER KIEV. HE SAID THE MIG-25 WAS A GOOD AIRPLANE, BUT NOT SO EXTRAORDINARY AS THE WESTERN PRESS HAD MADE OUT, AND THAT THE KIEV
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WAS A CARRIER FOR RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT, NOT AT ALL

IN THE SAME CLASS WITH THE LARGE US ATTACK CARRIERS.
HE DID NOT PURSUE THE ISSUE.
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